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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: C. Merril
Application No.: 09/835,537
Filed: April 16, 2001
For: METHODS OF TREATING PRION DISEASE IN MAMMALS

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(M.P.E.P. Section 1002.02(b), 7th ed.)

PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION
FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY
UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.137(b)

NOTE: "In a design application, a utility application filed before June 8, 1995, or a plant application filed before June 8, 1995, any petition to revive pursuant to this section must be accompanied by a terminal disclaimer and fee as set forth in section 1.321 dedicating to the public a terminal part of the term of any patent granted thereon equivalent to the period of abandonment of the application. Any terminal disclaimer pursuant to this paragraph must also apply to any patent granted on any continuing application that contains a specific reference under 35 U.S.C. 120, 121, or 365(c) to the application for which revival is sought. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to lapsed patents." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.137(c).

NOTE: In accordance with the Notice of November 5, 1990 (1121 O.G. 6), an application abandoned under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53(d) for failure to timely provide the appropriate filing fee, oath or declaration and/or surcharge may be revived under the procedure of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.137(b).

1. This application became abandoned on _____

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.8(a))

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NOTE: Extensions under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136 are available only if asked for "prior to or with the response." Accordingly, if the question of abandonment arises when the provisions of Section 1.136 can no longer be used, then the application is abandoned when the unextended time for response expired. Therefore, no extension fees are due on a petition for revival. Thus: An application which is abandoned for failure to respond within a set period with no extension fee having been paid, would not require the payment of extension fees as a condition for revival. M.P.E.P. Section 711.03(c), 6th ed., rev. 2.

2. This application became abandoned because the failure to prosecute was an unintentional delay. The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date until the filing of the petition was unintentional. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.137(b)(3).

3. Response or action required
☐ has been filed.
☒ is attached.

(complete the following, if applicable)

NOTE: The PTO accepts the filing of a continuing application as a response under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.137. To facilitate processing in such a case, the petition to revive should specifically refer to the filing of a continuing application and also include an express abandonment of the prior application conditioned upon the granting of the petition and the granting of a filing date to the continuing application. Notice of May 13, 1983, (1031 O.G. 11-12). See also M.P.E.P. Section 711.03(c), 6th ed., rev. 2. "In an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof, the required reply must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof." 37 C.F.R. Section 1.137(b)(1).

☐ The response is the filing of a continuation application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application copending with this application.

4. Fee (37 C.F.R. 1.17(m))

Application status is:

☒ Small business entity-fee \$650.00.
☐ Other than small entity-fee \$1,300.00.

5. Payment of fee

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☐ Because this petition is more than 3 months after the date the Office first notified the applicant that the application is abandoned, applicant additionally submits a showing as to how the delay between

the date the applicant was first notified that the application is abandoned and the filing of this petition under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.134(b) was unintentional. 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, 53,159 (Oct. 10, 1997).

- [] Because this petition is more than 1 year after the date of abandonment of the application, applicant additionally submits further information as to when applicant (or applicant's representative) first became aware of the abandonment of the application, and a showing as to how the delay in discovering the abandoned status of the application occurred despite the exercise of due care or diligence on the part of the applicant (or applicant's representative). 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, 53,159 (Oct. 10, 1997).

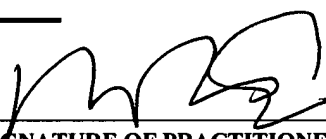
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